

What is claimed is:

- 1           1.    An apparatus, comprising:  
2                an interface to transmit data to a receiving  
3    device; and  
4                a controller communicatively coupled to the  
5    interface, the controller to detect a bit rate change event  
6    and transmit a first portion of the data using reserved  
7    bandwidth and a second portion of the data using unreserved  
8    bandwidth in response to detecting the bit rate change  
9    event.
- 1           2.    The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the interface  
2    comprises an interface to transmit over a wireless medium.
- 1           3.    The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the interface  
2    comprises a wireless network card.
- 1           4.    The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the controller  
2    further requests a reservation for additional bandwidth in  
3    response to detecting the bit rate change.
- 1           5.    The apparatus of claim 4, wherein the controller  
2    transmits the second portion of the data using the  
3    reservation for the additional bandwidth.

1           6.    The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the bit rate  
2   change event causes a reduction in transfer rate, wherein  
3   the controller further requests a new bandwidth reservation  
4   to compensate for the reduced transfer rate.

1           7.    The apparatus of claim 6, wherein the controller  
2   transmits the first and second portions of data using the  
3   new bandwidth reservation.

1           8.    The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the controller  
2   further designates the first portion of the data as high  
3   priority and the second portion of the data as low  
4   priority.

1           9.    The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the controller  
2   to determine the bit rate change event comprises the  
3   controller to determine a drop in quality of service during  
4   communications with the receiving device.

1           10.   An article comprising one or more machine-  
2   readable storage media containing instructions that when  
3   executed enable a processor to:

4                detect a reduced transfer rate; and  
5                transmit a first portion of the data using  
6   reserved bandwidth and a second portion of the data using

7     unreserved bandwidth in response to detecting the reduced  
8     transfer rate.

1           11. The article of claim 10, wherein the instructions  
2     when executed enable the processor to request additional  
3     bandwidth reservation in response to detecting the reduced  
4     transfer rate.

1           12. The article of claim 11, wherein the instructions  
2     when executed enable the processor to transmit the first  
3     and second portion of the data using the reserved portion  
4     and the additional bandwidth reservation.

1           13. The article of claim 12, wherein the instructions  
2     when executed enable the processor to request a new  
3     bandwidth reservation in response to detecting the reduced  
4     transfer rate.

1           14. The article of claim 13, wherein the instructions  
2     when executed enable the processor to transmit the first  
3     portion and the second portion of the data using the new  
4     bandwidth reservation in response to receiving the new  
5     bandwidth reservation.

1           15. The article of claim 10, wherein the instructions  
2     when executed enable the processor to transmit a first

3 portion of the data using the reserved bandwidth on a  
4 wireless communications link.

1 16. The article of claim 10, wherein the instructions  
2 when executed enable the processor to detect the reduced  
3 rate based on a change in a transmission channel condition.

1 17. The article of claim 10, wherein the instructions  
2 when executed enable the processor to transmit a high  
3 priority data using the reserved bandwidth and a low  
4 priority data using the unreserved bandwidth in response to  
5 detecting the reduced transfer rate.

1 18. A method, comprising:  
2 receiving a first bandwidth reservation for  
3 transferring data at a pre-selected bit rate; and  
4 transmitting a first portion of the data over the  
5 first bandwidth reservation and a second portion of the  
6 data over unreserved bandwidth in response to determining  
7 that a current data transfer rate is less than the  
8 pre-selected bit rate.

1 19. The method of claim 18, further comprising  
2 requesting additional bandwidth reservation in response to  
3 determining whether the current data transfer rate is less  
4 than the pre-selected bit rate.

21. The method of claim 18, further comprising  
requesting a new bandwidth reservation in response to  
determining the current data transfer rate is less than the  
pre-selected bit rate.

1           22. The method of claim 21, further comprising  
2   transmitting the first portion and the second portion of  
3   the data over the new bandwidth reservation.

1           23. The method of claim 18, comprising receiving the  
2   first bandwidth reservation for a wireless link.

1           24. A system, comprising:  
2           a wireless network hub; and  
3           a client to detect a bit rate change event and  
4 transmit a first portion of the data under a prior  
5 bandwidth agreement and a second portion of the data not  
6 under the prior bandwidth agreement to the wireless network  
7 hub in response to detecting the bit rate change event.

1        25. The system of claim 24, wherein the client is a  
2 wireless client.

1        26. The system of claim 25, wherein the wireless  
2 client comprises a wireless network interface.

1        27. The system of claim 24, wherein the wireless  
2 network hub is an access point.

1        28. The system of claim 27, wherein the wireless  
2 network hub serves as an interface between a wireless  
3 network and a wired network.

1        29. The system of claim 24, wherein the client  
2 further requests another agreement for additional bandwidth  
3 from the wireless network hub in response to detecting the  
4 bit rate change event.

1        30. The system of claim 24, wherein the client  
2 further requests a new bandwidth agreement from the  
3 wireless network hub in response to detecting the bit rate  
4 change event.